PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

APPLICANTS: HAYASHIHARA ET AL-PCT-1

SERIAL NO.: 10/596,127 EXAMINER: S. ABU ALI

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TITLE: LIQUID CLAY

AMENDMENT TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION

MAIL STOP AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated November 19, 2008, with the time for response being three months or until February 19, 2009, with the time period being extended one month to March 19, 2009, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 7 of this paper.